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For: MINIMALLY INVASIVE

ANNULOPLASTY PROCEDURE

AND APPARATUS

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## **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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## PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventor(s) JOHN

NGUYEN, ARTHUR HILL and LAURENT SCHALLER, for "MINIMALLY INVASIVE

ANNULOPLASTY PROCEDURE AND APPARATUS." Enclosed are:

- 1. Fifteen (15) pages of the specification, including eighteen (18) claims and an abstract.
- 2. Seven (7) sheets of drawings.

The filing fee is deferred at this time, but will be calculated and sent later.

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